



Librarian's Report

Princeville Public Library

2013 Year in Review

Michelle Young, Branch Manager

Circulation and General Statistics

The staff of Princeville Public Library has worked hard to offer public library service to the North Shore community this year.

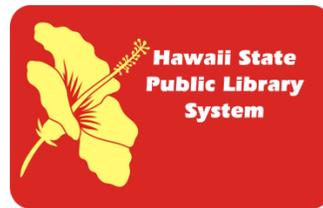


Library staff members (l to r): Kathleen Carollo, Sage Ornellas, Harrie-Lynn Spencer, and Eric Larsen

Our annual circulation, or number of library materials borrowed, held steady at 84,879—which is respectable considering the number of e-books being checked out by our patrons as well.

Category	2013 Total
# Library Materials Borrowed	84,879
# Patrons Registered for Library Cards	962 (12% increase from 2012)
# New Materials Added to Collection	3,523 (14% increase from 2012)

We issued 962 library cards this year, which is ten percent more than we did in 2012.



And we added over 3,500 new library materials (books, audiobooks, and DVDs) to our collection to keep it fresh and interesting. Our ability to increase the number of new materials added is in good part thanks to the Friends of the North Shore Library at Princeville, who raised money via their quarterly book sales to supplement our materials budget. It is also thanks to the Hawaii State Legislature, who granted funds for FY2014 to boost the statewide materials budget.



Thanks to the Friends and the Hawaii State Legislature for helping keep our new book shelves well-stocked!

Programs

We offered 50% more programs in 2013 than we did in 2012. Almost 3,000 people participated in the 72 programs we offered for children and adults in 2013. These programs include toddler storytime, Toys 'n' Tots playtime, cultural programs coordinated by the University of Hawaii at Manoa Outreach College, the Dotty Nakea speaker program co-sponsored by our Friends of the Library, and other local speakers.



Bodhi and Zofia (with mom Dana) showing off their monkey puppet crafts after storytime.



About 60 people came to hear Sig Kutter present about the Big Bang Theory on December 11th.

We drew in *double* the number of people by increasing the number of programs we offered as well as promoting our programs in our community with the help of our Friends members.

	# Programs	% Change from 2012	# Participants	% Change from 2012
Children	51	46% + (35)	1,551	120% + (705)
Adult	21	40% + (15)	1,329	80% + (736)
Total	72	44%+ (50)	2,880	100%+ (1441)

We also had another record-breaking year for our Summer Reading Program, in which **339 children, teens, and adults registered and read 3,376 books!**



Dylan, James, and Zehnder each read at least 20 books this summer, earning them a trip to our summer reading treasure chest!

Community Relations

We received tremendous partnership and support from the Friends of the North Shore Library at Princeville, who funded additional library materials, supplies for our children's programs, honoraria for our adult speaker programs, and much more. They helped improve our facilities by paying for our roof cleaning, working with a local contractor to install a native Hawaiian plant garden at our front entrance, and purchasing new furniture for our children's room. The Friends also provided countless volunteer hours helping shelve books, mend library materials, and "staff" our Summer Reading Program desk. They also assisted with special programs such as Free Comic Book Day and Star Wars Reads Day by appearing in costume or providing refreshments for everyone to enjoy.



Laura McConnell, 2013 President of the Friends of the North Shore Library at Princeville (l) and myself (r)



(l to r) Friends board members Laura Conrey, Dorothy Sasaki, Sue Imparato, Wicki van de Veer, and Michael Dexter-Smith

We have also worked with or received support from the following organizations in 2013: Rotary Club of Hanalei Bay, Kauai Humane Society, AARP TaxAide Kauai, Ho`ōla Lāhui Hawai`I (Kaua`i Community Health Center), the County of Kauai recycling office, Kilauea School, and Kanuikapono School.

Summary

2013 was a great year for Princeville Public Library, with a steady flow of patrons coming in to browse and borrow library materials, use our internet computers, and/or attend one of our many programs. We appreciate how much community members patronize and support our library, and look forward to continuing this relationship in 2014.